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Claim 1:

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--of --:

after "surface, all said sections being" delete [capable of

being].

line 9, after "a flexible interface region" insert - a constant width

region,- -.

line 12, after "wrap portion" insert -- and capable of covering paint

brushes of different lengths--.

line 13, after "edge of said middle section" insert - said interface

region having a varying width to accommodate paint brushes of different sizes, side interface region having a minimum width set to the width of the smallest paint brush desired to be

covered by said device --.

line 16, after "within said wrap portion" insert -- said means for

securing being removeably attached to said external surface of said middle section to be extended under the handle of a paint brush and removeably attached to said external surface of said flap portion, each of said means for securing being positioned

on opposite sides of a handle of said paint brush upon

covering.--.

Delete Claim 2.

In the Specification:

No changes to the specification.